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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES—Jan. 2008

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Jan. 2008 from—	
	Jan. 2007	July 2007	Jan. 2008	Jan. 2007	July 2007
1. Piece Goods	434.9	437.4	388.2	-10.7	-11.2
2. Domestics and Draperies	475.2	456.7	459.0	-3.4	0.5
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	645.4	647.2	648.0	0.4	0.1
4. Men's Shoes	875.2	845.1	874.3	-0.1	3.5
5. Infants' Wear	558.2	537.6	565.4	1.3	5.2
6. Women's Underwear	551.7	541.7	534.5	-3.1	-1.3
7. Women's Hosiery	344.7	335.4	353.0	2.4	5.2
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	537.2	568.6	543.9	1.2	-4.3
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	338.1	323.5	337.0	-0.3	4.2
10. Men's Clothing	514.5	507.4	511.0	-0.7	0.7
11. Men's Furnishings	559.2	556.9	540.8	-3.3	-2.9
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	371.0	384.4	404.5	9.0	5.2
13. Jewelry	909.5	935.0	940.1	3.4	0.5
14. Notions	817.1	793.7	815.7	-0.2	2.8
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	1004.5	1014.0	1013.9	0.9	0.0
16. Furniture and Bedding	597.1	599.4	589.9	-1.2	-1.6
17. Floor Coverings	613.7	614.0	618.7	0.8	0.8
18. Housewares	689.4	693.2	682.0	-1.1	-1.6
19. Major Appliances	210.2	208.5	208.9	-0.6	0.2
20. Radio and Television	33.6	31.8	30.8	-8.3	-3.1
21. Recreation and Education ¹	76.3	75.8	74.9	-1.8	-1.2
22. Home Improvements ¹	141.3	141.7	142.4	0.8	0.5
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	122.4	124.3	127.9	4.5	2.9
1-15. Soft Goods	542.1	536.4	540.6	-0.3	0.8
16-20. Durable Goods	370.6	369.3	364.6	-1.6	-1.3
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	93.9	94.1	94.4	0.5	0.3
Store Total ²	482.8	479.0	480.5	-0.5	0.3

¹ Indexes on a January 1986=100 base.

² The Store Total index covers all departments, with the following exceptions: candy, food, liquor, tobacco, as well as contract departments.

NOTE: Indexes for previous periods and a brief description of the methods used in calculating the indexes may be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Labor Statistics at (202) 691-6968. The application of these indexes in the preparation of tax returns is solely within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service. Treasury Decision No. 5605 accords the use of the elective inventory method by taxpayers employing the retail inventory method.

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